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SUBJECT: VISIT OF MEPD DIRECTOR

REF:A) LAGOS 1617, B) LAGOS 00826,

C) LAGOS 10921 MCGRATH/ATKINS TELECON

1. IN RESPONSE TO REF A, MEPD DIRECTOR JOHNNY SANDS HAS ARRANGED TO VISIT EMBASSY TO DISCUSS EMBASSY-PROPOSED BUSINESS SEMINAR. PURPOSE OF VISIT IS PRIMARILY TO WORK OUT WITH EMBASSY COMMERCIAL SECTION BEST MEANS OF IMPLEMENTING THIS PROGRAM. SANDS PLANNING TO ARRIVE PAA FLIGHT 180, SUNDAY, APRIL 20, AT 13:40, AND WILL DEPART APRIL 23 AT 16:10. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP IF THESE ARRANGEMENTS ACCEPTABLE.

2. SANDS WOULD APPRECIATE IN-DEPTH BRIEFING BY EMBASSY STAFF EARLY MONDAY MORNING, IF POSSIBLE.

3. IN ORDER TO INCREASE CHANCES THAT PROPOSED SEMINAR RECEIVES APPROPRIATE RECEPTION FROM FMG, WE FEEL IT ESSENTIAL TO ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN NIGERIIN GOVRNMENT INPUT
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IN EARLY PLANNING STAGES. FOR PURPOSE OF LAYING GROUNDWORK

AND GETTING FMG VIEWS ON THIS ENDEAVOR, WOULD APPRECIATE
IF EMBASSY CONCURS, EMBASSY ATTEMPT TO ARRANGE APPOINTMENTS
FOR SANDS (IN COMPANY OF APPROPRIATE EMBASSY OFFICERS) WITH
THE FOLLOWING: PERSEC ASIODO, MMP; PERMSEC EBONG, MEDR; PERMSEC
CIROMA, MOI; AND MEETINGS AS EMBASSY ADVISES WITH
MEA, NNOC, NSDA (DIRECT REDUCTION STEEL) OR OTHER
OFFICIALS, TIME PERMITTING. MR. SANDS ALSO WOULD LIKE TO
MEET WITH DR. HENRY FAJAMEROKIM, NIGERIAN-
AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, IF EMBASSY CAN ARRANGE
APPOINTMENT.

4. SANDS GREATLY APPRECIATES AND ACCEPTS MCGRATH'S HOSPITALITY.
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